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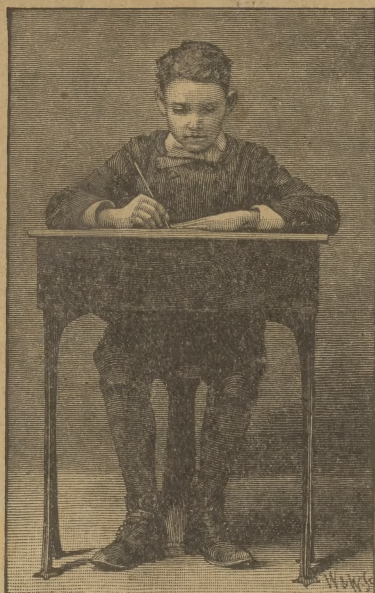
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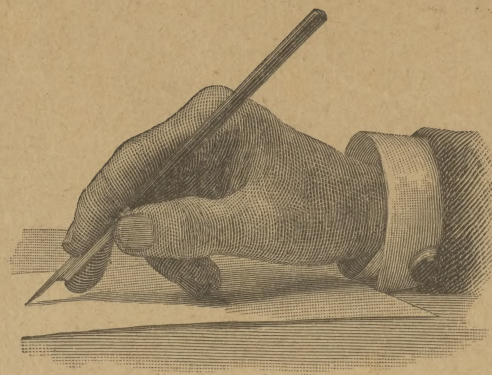
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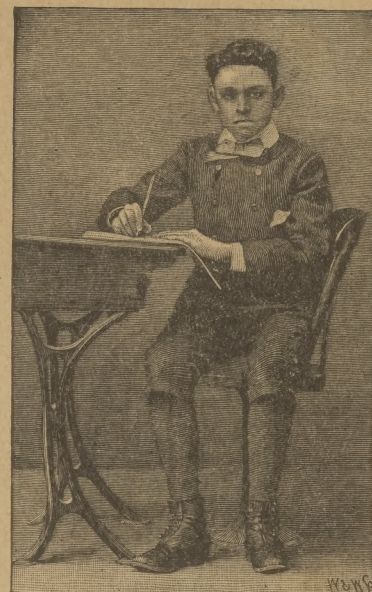
POSITION.

Every time you sit down to write, try to take a good position. If possible, sit so that the strongest light may come from the left side. Two positions are here given, either of which is correct.

In the front position the boy sits facing the desk, with his right arm up far enough to rest on the muscles just forward of the elbow. If you could see the ruled lines of the book you would observe the right arm is placed in a position to be perpendicular to, and forming a right angle with them, while the left arm is in a position about parallel to these lines. The left arm is placed far enough on the desk to hold the book in position, and also to serve as a partial support for the body. By observing this position it becomes very easy to secure the right slant to the letters. If the light is right we recommend this *front* position. The pen is held lightly between the first and second fingers and thumb, the second finger dropping enough to show part of the nail below the holder. The first finger is placed on the holder about one inch from the point of the pen. The thumb is placed opposite the first joint of the forefinger, and

the pen-holder crosses his hand just forward of the knuckle-joint, or so that, if he had a ring on his forefinger, the holder would touch it. Now, if you look at the picture, you will notice the pen-holder points well up towards the shoulder, so that the right side of the hand does not rest on the paper. The third and fourth fingers bend under, in order that the back of the nails may touch the paper, which is the only rest for the *hand*. The *arm* rests just forward of the elbow, on the desk.

In the *side* position you will notice the whole arm is on the desk, and parallel to, and only three or four inches from, the front edge, but the side of the hand does not touch the desk. You will notice that here also the right arm is in a position perpendicular to the ruled lines on which the boy writes. Now look and see how the left hand is placed, then try and keep yours on your book in the same way. Place your feet flat on the floor, and be careful not to bend your back or neck too much. Your eyes ought to be from ten to twelve inches from the copy.



SIDE.

NOTE TO THE TEACHER.—It is the design of the author that the pupils should write half way across the page instead of by columns in all of the lower numbers. Whenever sentences are taken up they should be written as a whole—not in fragments. All the pupils in the class should be required to take the same position. When the light will admit we would advise the front position. Teachers will observe in some copies two styles of capital letters. Both are used in business, and are given to familiarize the pupil with them. Teachers can use their discretion as to the exclusive use of any one style.

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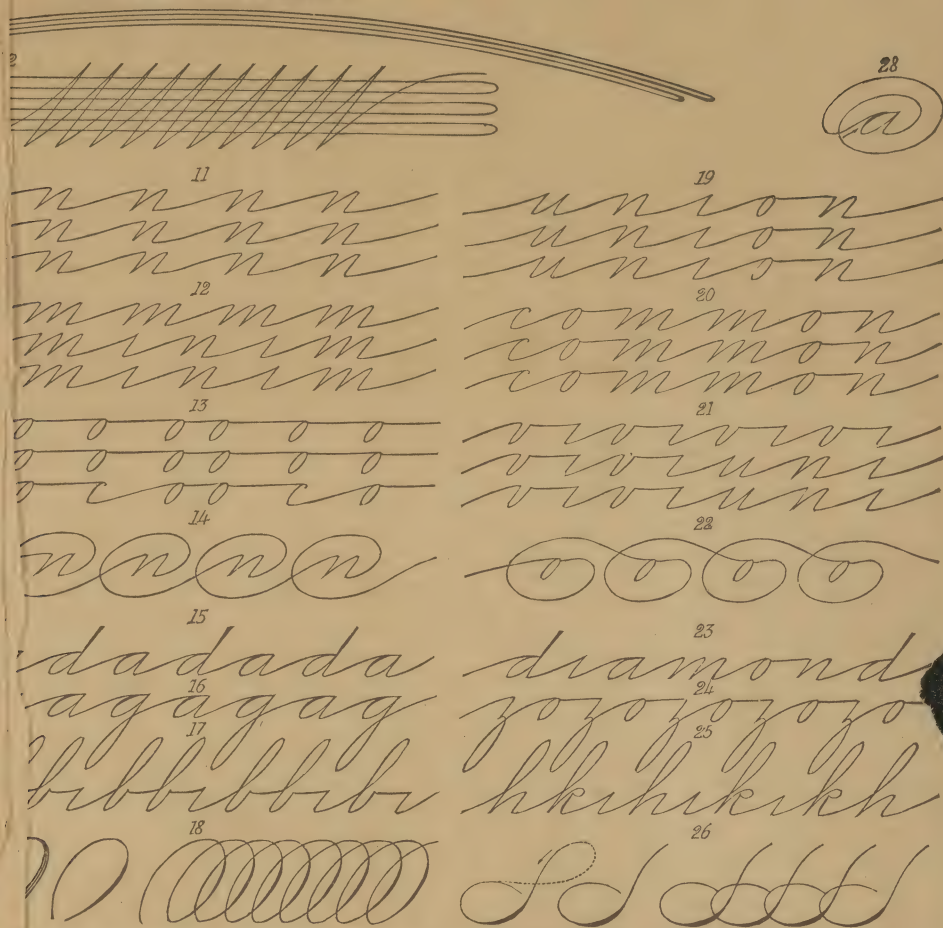
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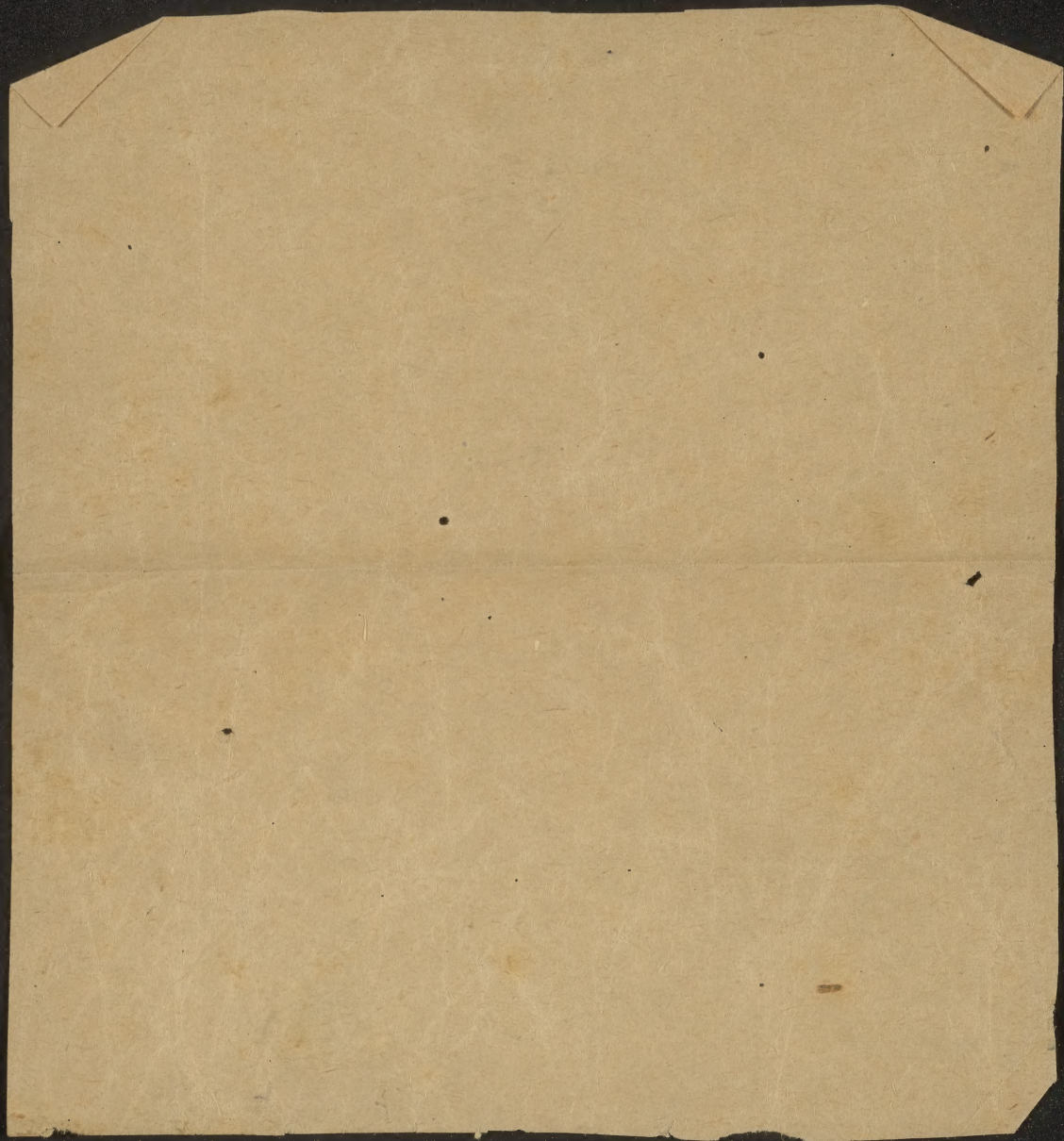
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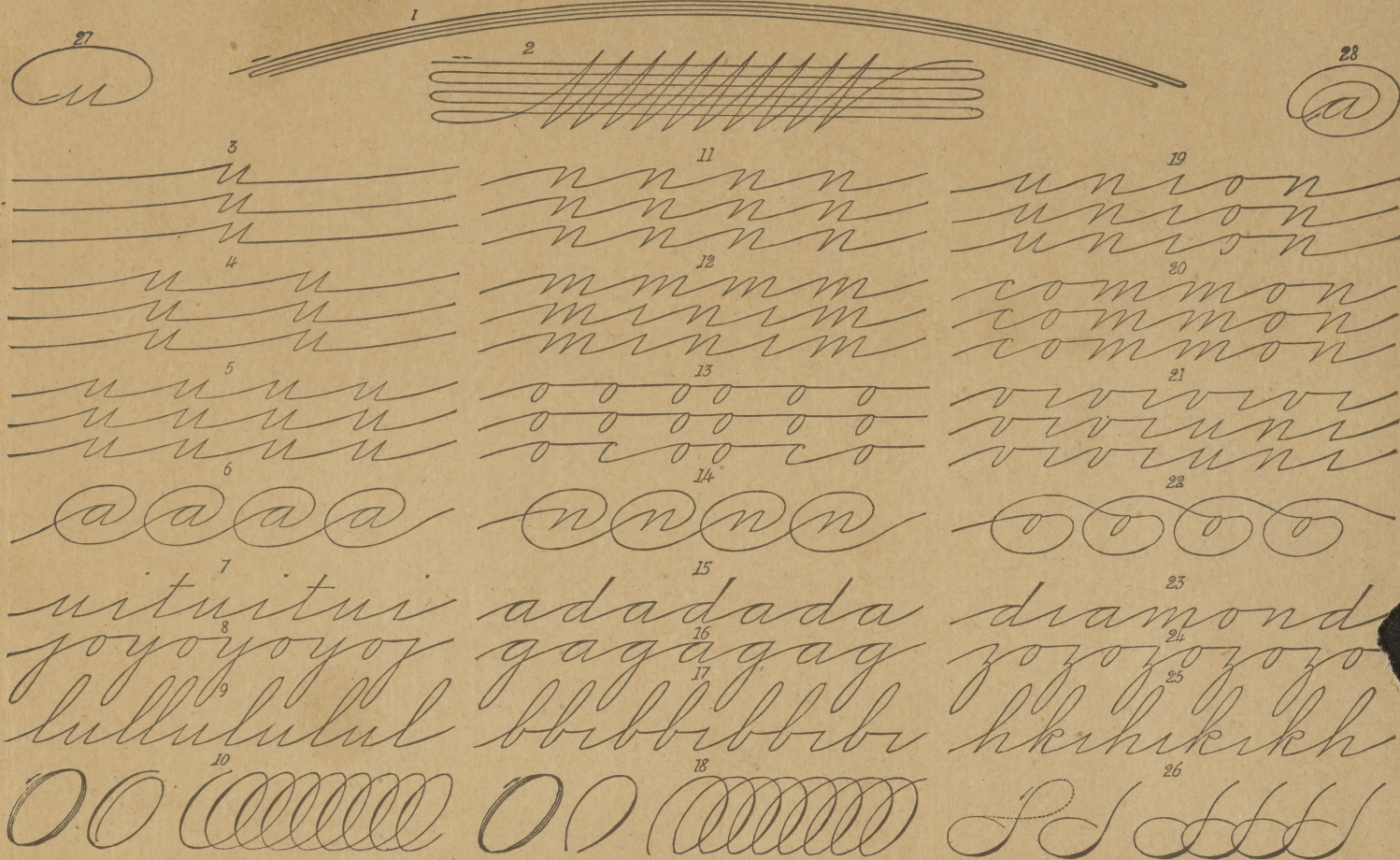
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D. E. Jones

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2. Give capitals.
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5. " " " between Va. & N. C.
6. " " " flows through central Va.
7. Describe N. Y. City.
8. What is the secondary in the section?
9. What and where is the District of Columbia?
10. Name the eastern section of the Southern States.



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Movement Exercises.



The exercises on this page are intended to develop freedom and rapidity of movement. The best plan to pursue is first to trace with a dry pen and follow with practice on plain paper with ink, preserving about the same size of letter and same distance between lines. Such practice ought to be taken for at least five minutes preceding each lesson in the book, and if faithfully continued will produce

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